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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois were grieved to learn of the death in Iraq of Staff Sergeant Andrew R. Pokorny of Naperville on June 13, 2003; and

WHEREAS, He and his family moved to Naperville when Andrew was five; his parents, Douglas and Marie Pokorny still live there; he graduated from Naperville North High School in 1990, where he was a member of the wrestling team; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Pokorny joined the U.S. Army when he was 18; he was assigned to the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment in Fort Carson, Colorado; and

WHEREAS, He met his wife, Martha, when they were both stationed in Germany, where she was working as an administrative assistant specialist for the U.S. Army; and

WHEREAS, Staff Sergeant Pokorny was devoted to his family and was always involved in his children's lives, coaching soccer games and chaperoning field trips; he was very outgoing and friendly; and

WHEREAS, The passing of Staff Sergeant Andrew R. Pokorny has been deeply felt by many, especially his wife, Martha Pokorny; his children, Kristen, Andie, and Kodi; his parents, Douglas and Marie Pokorny; his sister, Barbara Bonnet; his brother, David Pokorny; and his other siblings; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of Staff Sergeant Andrew R. Pokorny; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That we celebrate and honor the life of Staff
2 Sergeant Pokorny and his willingness to serve his country,
3 which led to him making the ultimate sacrifice; and be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
6 presented to his family as an expression of our deep sadness
7 for their loss.